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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Information Review Officer, DDI

FROM

: J. Kenneth McDonald Chief, History Staff

SUBJECT

: Review and Release of CIA Documents to Dr. Charles

Sampson, Department of State Historian

l. Dr. Charles Sampson, an official historian with the Department of State, has asked that he be permitted to use the following CIA-originated documents from the Office of the Secretary of Defense in preparing a Vietnam War volume in the official documentary series Foreign Relations of the United States:

SECRET document #HS/OSD/24, 13 Feb 64 SECRET document #HS/OSD/26, 20 Feb 65 SECRET document #HS/OSD/27, 4 Mar 64 CONFIDENTIAL document #HS/OSD/34, 24 Jul 65

I would be grateful if you would review these documents and decide whether they can be released (at their present classification, unless you wish to sanitize or downgrade them) to the Department of State for Dr. Sampson's use.

- 2. Dr. Sampson and the Department of State have agreed to the attached "CIA Records Access Policy," which requires further CIA review before any of the classified material you may now release to them can be declassified, downgraded, or published.
- 3. I would be grateful if you would return these documents with your determination to the DCI History Staff, Room 316 Ames.

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J. Kenneth McDonald

Attachments

This memo is UNCLASSIFIED when separated from attached documents.

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